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AND METHODS FOR THE
ENDOCYTIC PRESENTATION OF
IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE FACTORS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2002, in the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

66. (Five times amended) A composition comprising an immunoglobulin or a portion thereof linked to a protein fragment or peptide, wherein said immunoglobulin or portion thereof is capable of binding to an Fc receptor and said protein fragment or peptide comprises a T cell receptor antagonist, said composition having the property of being endocytosed by cells bearing said Fc receptor and processed by the cells to present said T cell receptor antagonist in association with endogenous MHC Class II molecules, thereby preventing T cell activation *in vivo*.